

DATE 02 MAR 63 0091Z

CLASSIFIED MESSAGE

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TO : DIRECTOR

FROM :

ACTRCS OSA (1-2-3-4-5-6-7-8-9-10)

INFO : S/C (11)

EO 12958 3.3(b) (1)>25Yrs

TOR 02 MAR 63 0037Z

IN 67688

TO

PRIORITY

INFO

CITE

3456

OXCART

NO NITE ACTION

ACFT 124 FLEW FLT NUMBER 35 1 MAR 63. FLT TIME: 1 HR 39 MIN.  
PILOT: COL LEDFORD, INST PILOT: PARKS. PURPOSE: PILOTS FIRST  
FAMILIARIZATION TNG FLT. GROSS WEIGHT: 85,000 LBS. TAKEOFF WAS  
AT 1236L WITH A/B CLIMB TO FL37.5. VARIOUS FAMILIARIZATION  
MANEUVERS INCLUDING SIMULATED SINGLE ENGINE AND ACCELERATION TO  
MACH 1.2 WERE PERFORMED. ONE TOUCH AND GO AND ONE FULL STOP  
LANDING WITH A GOOD CHUTE. PILOT'S PERFORMANCE VERY GOOD AND  
PILOT'S COMMENTS CONCERNING ACFT OPERATIONS WERE FAVORABLE. PILOT  
EXPERIENCED CONSIDERABLE DISCOMFORT FROM PARACHUTE SHOULDER STRAPS  
PRESSING ON SHOULDERS. THIS DISCOMFORT APPEARED DUE TO LONG  
SEATED HEIGHT OF PILOT, INSUFFICIENT ADJUSTMENT AVAILABLE IN  
PARACHUTE HARNESS AND INABILITY TO BLOCK PARACHUTE HIGH ENOUGH IN  
SEAT.

END OF MESSAGE

APPROVED FOR RELEASE  
DATE: AUG 2007

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GROUP 1  
Excluded from automatic  
downgrading and  
declassification